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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references listed on Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

Document AL, German DE 43 26 795 A1 relates to an ATM composite network comprising two or more site networks linked using permanent virtual channels, using virtual channel and virtual path identifiers which carry source and destination data for sub-network terminal ports and the sub-network itself.

Document AM, German DE 196 04 244 A1 relates to a digital signal transmission system which transmits time-multiplex digital signals between and exchange termination and line termination and has connection for a subscriber interface of an ATM network.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention is distinguishable and non-obvious over the enclosed references, taken singly or in combination.

Accordingly, early consideration and allowance of the application,
including the claims, are hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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